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May 17, 2002

VIA COURIER

Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary
Department of Telecommunications and Energy
One South Station
Boston, MA 02210

Re: Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Company, D.T.E. 02-24
Gas Division Rate Request, Filing/Explanatory Letter

Dear Ms. Cottrell:

Enclosed for filing, pursuant to G.L. c. 164, § 94 and 220 C.M.R. 5.00, please find an original and (9) copies of the following on behalf of Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Company ("FG&E"). I also enclose our check in the amount of \$195.00 for the Department of Telecommunications and Energy's filing fees:¹

- 1) M.D.T.E. Nos. 110 through 117 for Gas Service for FG&E's Gas Division ("Gas Division"), for implementation June 1, 2002;
- 2) Petition for Approval of Tariffs;
- 3) Motion to Consolidate D.T.E. 02-24 with D.T.E. 02-22, D.T.E. 02-23 and D.T.E. 02-25;

¹ FG&E's check in the amount of \$195.00 covers the filing fees for the Rate Requests of the Gas Division (\$120.00) and the Electric Division (\$75.00), filed under separate cover in D.T.E. 02-25.

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- 4) Testimony and Schedules of Mark H. Collin (Volume I, Exh. FGE-MHC - 1 through Exh. FGE-MHC - 7), to support and justify the requested total revenue requirement for the Gas Division;
- 5) Testimony and Schedules of James L. Harrison (Volume III, Exh. FGE-JLH - 1), to support the fully Allocated Cost of Service Study and the Marginal Cost of Service Study that are used to design base gas rates for each rate class;
- 6) Testimony and Schedules of Dr. Samuel C. Hadaway (Volume II, Exh. FGE-SCH - 1), to support and justify the proposed allowed return on equity for the Gas Division;
- 7) Testimony and Schedules of James H. Aikman (Volume II, Exh. FGE-JHA - 1), to support and justify the Depreciation Study that is used to establish the appropriate depreciation expense used in the determination of the Gas Division's cost of service; and
- 8) Testimony and Schedules of Karen M. Asbury (Volume I, Exh. FGE-KMA-1), to support the format and content of the Gas Division tariffs, rate design and rate impact analysis.

Please note that the proposed notice of filing, for publication purposes, pursuant to 220 C.M.R. 5.06, is provided as part of the filing (Volume I, Notice). FG&E has provided the Notice, for the Department's convenience, separately for its Gas Division and as a combined Notice with the Electric Division Rate Request, also being filed this date.

Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions.

Very truly yours,



Patricia M. French
Meabh Purcell

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Enclosures

cc: Paul Afonso, General Counsel, DTE
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